

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

14. A vaccine for conferring protection against human papillomavirus (HPV) infection in a human susceptible to human papillomavirus infection which
5 comprises (i) a prophylactically effective amount of an extract comprising a formalin-treated human papillomavirus L1 protein and (ii) a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

16. The vaccine of Claim 14 wherein said human papillomavirus is
10 selected from the group consisting of HPV 1, HPV 2, HPV 3, HPV 4, HPV 6, HPV 7, HPV 10, HPV 11, HPV 12, HPV 16 and HPV 18.

17. A method of protecting a human against human PV infection comprising administering a prophylactically effective amount of a vaccine according to
15 Claim 14.

20. The method of Claim 17, wherein said administered vaccine comprises a formalin-inactivated human papillomavirus selected from the group consisting of HPV1, HPV2, HPV3, HPV4, HPV6, HPV7, HPV10, HPV11, HPV12, HPV16 and HPV18.